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200 KINDS SEED POTATOES, 2500 BUSH.

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GROWN AND FOR SALE BY

LUTHER PUTNAM,

CAMBRIDGE, VERMONT.

First Premium at Vermont State Fair, 1884, for Largest and Best Collection.

DESCRIPTION OF A FEW KINDS.

Dakota Red.—Forty two bushels have been raised of this variety from one pound of seed. Skin red flesh color, eyes sunken, of excellent quality, in flavor like the old Peachblow. Peck $1.25, bushel $4.00, barrel $8.00.

Early Mayflower.—Third year of introduction and still the seed is very scarce. It was sold for $2.00 per pound in 1883, and a very good investment even at that high rate. It resembles the Snowflake somewhat, but is much more productive. Don't fail to give this a trial. Peck 60 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.50.

Early Sunrise.—One of the earliest. Tubers have been grown fit for the table in eight weeks from planting. Excellent for market. Peck 50 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.00.

Early Gem.—Similar to Early Sunrise and same price.

Mammoth Prolific.—Wonderful productiveness, ripening the last of August. Sold in 1883 for $20.00 per bushel. I offer it at the low price of peck 60 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.50.

Belle.—A fine exhibition potato. Peck 60 cents, bushel, $1.50, barrel $3.00.

Rochester Favorite.—This potato resembles the Burbank Seedling, but I like it much better, being immensely handsome and a great yielder. Give this variety a trial. Peck 50 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.50.

Late Beauty of Hebron.—This variety resembles the White Elephant, is a good yielder, choice for table and obtains

the highest market price, being much more productive than the Early Beauty of Hebron. I had the credit of first introducing this potato in this section of Vermont and am highly gratified with the result. Peck 40 cents, bushel $1.00, barrel $2.25.

Baker's Imperial.—Too much cannot be said in praise of this potato, late growing, and resembles the Early Rose. Peck 50 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.00.

American Giant.—Handsome and by some thought to be the largest potato in cultivation. Immense yielder, but do not like the quality for table use. Peck 50 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.00.

Jones' Prize Taker.—Medium late, long, handsome tubers, fine quality and yield. Peck 60 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.50.

Rural Blush.—This is a drouth-resisting potato of good size and a good cropper. Peck 50 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.50.

Bliss Triumph.—Adapted to heavy moist soils, a non-rotter, handsome, early and good for table and market. For the past two years they have yielded with me at the rate of four hundred bushels per acre. Try them. Peck 50 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.00.

Lee's Early Favorite.—Very early and one of the most productive, having produced at the rate of four hundred bushels per acre. The color is very distinct, light flesh color, shaded with pink around the eyes. Tubers good size to large. It is a seedling of the Early Rose. Don't fail to try this potato. In the spring of 1884, I paid for one-half barrel nearly $7.00, including freight—raised one hundred bushels, and am more than satisfied with my investment. Peck 60 cents, bushel $1.50, barrel $3.50.

Rocky Mountain Rose.—This new potato sold last year at $1.00 per pound. Resembles Lee's Favorite, and same price.

CHALLENGE POTATO.

originated by L Putnam in 1880 — a late potatoe

Junkis.—I challenge the world to produce another potato equalling this variety, on my own soil, for both *quality* and *productiveness.* It yielded with me, on common pasture land, without any manure save a small amount of phosphate and plaster, at the rate of seven hundred bushels per acre. It is flattish, oblong,

Remarks After a long test, the quality of the Junkis did not please me, and I discarded them, and I know of none in existence to day. I offered W Atlee Burpee of Phila. a wager at one time of $100.00 that the Junkis would outyield his Empire State on my own soil but he dared not accept my offer.

white skin and flesh, and faultless for the table. My stock of this variety is quite limited and shall charge the modest sum of $2.00 per pound, peck $15.00, bushel $50.00, barrel $100.00.

	BY FREIGHT OR EXPRESS.			
	POUND.	PECK.	BUSHEL.	BARREL.
Burpee's Empire State	60c			
Pearl of Savoy	10	50c		
Early Maine	10	50		
Garrison's Seedling, No. 8	10	50	$1 50	$3 25
Early Snowflake	15			
Improved Cow Horn	10	40	1 00	
Hercules	10	50	1 50	
Leopard	10			
Lion	10			
Old White Carter	10			
Putnam's No. 1 1880	15			
Biscuit	10			
Swedish Rose	15			
Idaho	10			
Durham	10			
Rubicond	10			
Early Electric	10	50	1 25	3 00
Rose's New Seedling	10	50	1 25	3 00
Rose's Invincible	10	50	1 25	3 00
Garfield	10	50	1 25	3 00
Early Telephone	10	50	1 25	3 00
Brownell's Best	10	50	1 25	3 00
White Beauty of Hebron	10	50	1 25	3 00
Wall's Orange	5	40	1 00	2 00
Mercer Peachblow	10			
Newton Seedling	10			
Vick's Prize	10			
Wood Ants	15			
Adirondack	10			
Extra Late Vermont	10			
Extra Early Vermont	10	40		
Chicago Market	10			
Advance	15			
Alexandus Prolific	15			
White Mercer	15			
Excelsior	10			
Vermont Champion	10	50	1 25	3 00
Early Harvest	10			
Merino	15			
Mohawk	10			
Early Household	15			
Ohio Queen	15			
St. Helena	15			
Pecan	10			
Headley's Superb	15			
Magnum Bonum	10	50	1 25	2 75
Great Eastern	60			

Putnams Favorite 1880, & others.

N. B.—Sixteen cents per pound must be added when sent by mail. Orders will be booked as I receive them and sent as soon as danger of freezing is over.

TERMS CASH WITH ORDER.

I am still raising Cambridge Prolific for General field and cannot be told on appearance from The Morsen Potato which they exactly resemble. I shall be glad if you will buy Cambridge Prolific & do experimental test I shall be glad to furnish you

I originated what is now called Cambridge Prolific I think in 1881 — Theron E Platt, then Potato King of Conn, after testing thousands of seedlings and my own all seedlings, was the best, and he allowed him to name them which he did in honor of my Town,

Pringle's Green Mountain Spring Wheat.—This wheat has taken first premium at state and county fairs wherever I exhibited it, and whenever an introducer has a handsomer exhibition wheat I hope he will send me at least a sample. Price $5.00 per bushel.

Horsford's Imperial Barley.—The originator says of this barley: "It is a magnificent six-rowed variety, with long and full heads, which often contain over one hundred plump kernels, beards of medium length, tillers freely; over fifty heads have been counted from one plant. Has yielded with good cultivation, over two hundred bushels per acre." Try this barley. Price $3.00 per bushel. This barley also took first premium at the Vermont State fair.

Burpee's Welcome Oats.—They are truly a wonderful oat and have much exceeded my expectation, yielding from two to three times as much as our best native oats. In addition to this the immense amount of straw, which is so tender,—being relished by cattle almost as much as barley straw—makes the Welcome Oats by far the most valuable of any I ever raised. My seed is genuine. Procure your seed, sow it early, and see if I have not told you the truth. Price per bushel $1.75, four bushels $6.00.

My oats also took the first premium at Vermont State fair.

American Triumph Oats	per bushel,	$2 00
White Belgian Oats	" "	1 00
Hamburgh Oats	" "	1 00

SEED CORN A SPECIALTY.

Apple Scions, $1.00 per hundred by mail. Wealthy and Walbridge, etc., (forty varieties), 40 cents each, three for $1.00.

Leading varieties Strawberry plants, $1.00 per hundred to $5.00 per thousand.

Living in the vicinity of the best sugar orchards in the world, and having a large orchard of my own, I can supply on cash orders maple sugar and syrup at low rates.

Luther Putnam,

Cambridge, Vt.

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY.

Largest and best collection of potatoes we ever saw.—*St. Albans Messenger.*

If reports are at all commensurate with the real merits of Mr. Putnam's potatoes as exhibited at the Morrisville (Lamoille county) fair, he will stand far ahead of any and all competitors.—*News and Citizen.*

N. B.—Visitors attending the New Orleans exposition will be well repaid in looking over my collection in the Vermont house, in charge of Vermont Commissioner, Col: Mead.

Junkis

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BURLINGTON, VT., February 18, 1905

From Luther Putnam Cambridge Vt Feb 20 1905 I send you an old ad of 1884. I also took 1st Premium at Vt State Fairs 12 out of 15 years for largest and best collection of Potatoes at time when Vt State Fairs were held at Burlington Vt

Dear Sir:-

Wishing to secure all the information possible regarding varieties of potatoes originated in Vermont, the Station horticulturist invites the cooperation of all who are interested in this subject. Information thus secured, when it becomes sufficiently comprehensive, will be published and made available. If parties receiving this letter do not possess the information desired, they will confer a favor if they will hand it to someone who is interested, or, better still, if they will send in the names of those whom they know to be potato growers.

Kindly answer following questions as fully as you can:-

1. Have you originated any variety or varieties of potatoes ? If so what ? Give name and date of origin.

Junkis 1880
Putnams No 1. 1880
Putnams Favorite 1880
Cambridge Prolific a Standard 1881

2. If you have not originated any varieties can you refer us to someone who has ?

3. Do you know of any varieties that have been originated by Vermonters ? If so give names and originator of same.

Great Eastern + others
Early Maybower
Brownells Best by Elias Brownell (now deceased) of Essex
Mr Rand of Charlotte originated some varieties years ago
Also Mr Alexander + others

4. Do you know of anyone who is at present engaged in growing seedling potatoes ? No to any extent

5. What varieties of potatoes do you regard as best for the main crop ? Cambridge Prolific and Green Mountain,

Wm. Stuart, Horticulturist.